

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended): A tape carrier for TAB, comprising:

a carrying support film ~~having a plurality of opening portions;~~ and

individual pieces of flexible wiring boards, each of which includes an electrically insulating base layer made of a resin film and an electric conductor layer made of a metal foil having a predetermined wiring circuit pattern;

wherein said flexible wiring boards are mounted at regular intervals ~~on said plurality of opening portions, respectively;~~ on mounting portions of said carrying support film, respectively,

and

wherein an entire surface of each of the flexible wiring boards and an entire surface of each of the mounting portions of the carrying support film are bonded to each other through an adhesive agent

~~wherein said flexible wiring boards are capable of being inspected prior to being mounted on said carrying support film.~~
2. and 3. (canceled).
4. (original): A tape carrier for TAB according to Claim 1, wherein said carrying support film is a polyimide film.
5. - 8. (canceled).

9. (previously presented): A tape carrier for TAB according to Claim 1, wherein a thickness of said electrically insulating base layer is in a range from 3 μm to 100 μm and a thickness of said conductor layer is in a range from 3 μm to 50 μm .

10. (currently amended): A tape carrier for TAB according to Claim 1, wherein a thickness of said electrically insulating ~~cover~~ base layer is in a range from 3 μm to 100 μm .

11. (previously presented): A tape carrier for TAB according to Claim 9, wherein the thickness of said electrically insulating base layer is in a range from 5 μm to 50 μm and a thickness of said electric conductor layer is in a range from 5 μm to 20 μm .

12. (currently amended): A tape carrier for TAB according to Claim 1, wherein said electrically insulating base layer includes polyimide film and said electric conductor layer includes a copper foil.

13. -17. (canceled).